

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES  
GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Date: December 19, 2017

**TOMMIE C. MARTIN**  
Chairman

**MARIAN SHEPPARD**  
Clerk of the Board

**TIM R. HUMPHREY**  
Vice-Chairman

By: Marian Sheppard  
Clerk of the Board

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Member

Gila County Courthouse  
Globe, Arizona

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PRESENT: Tommie C. Martin; Chairman (via ITV); Tim R. Humphrey, Vice-Chairman; Woody Cline, Member; W. James Menlove, County Manager; Jefferson R. Dalton, Deputy Gila County Attorney, Civil Bureau Chief; Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board; and Melissa Henderson, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

**Item 1 – CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - INVOCATION**

Chairman Martin called the regular session to order at 10:00 a.m. this date in the Board of Supervisors' hearing room. Bobby Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Charles Proudfoot of the Community Presbyterian Church in Payson delivered the invocation.

Chairman Martin announced that the presenters for agenda item 2A had not yet arrived at the meeting, so she would move to the following agenda items until such time they arrived.

**Item 2 – PRESENTATIONS:**

~~**A. Presentation of information by the University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center regarding a watershed partnership for Cobre Valley and a grant funding opportunity being offered by the Bureau of Reclamation to help form watershed partnerships in the West.**~~ This item was addressed after agenda item 7.

**Item 3 – REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. Information/Discussion/Action to approve the City of Tucson Purchasing Card Services Linking Authorization between Gila County and Bank of America, N.A. for purchasing card services effective December 6, 2017.**

Teresa Williams, Interim Finance Director, advised that a contract between Gila County and J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. to provide credit cards to employees for County use has expired. J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. has allowed the terms of the agreement to continue until such time as the County enters into a new agreement. Entering into this new agreement will allow the County to receive higher rebates because it is a purchasing consortium and the rebates are based on the total purchases made during a calendar year. Upon motion by Supervisor Cline, seconded by Vice-Chairman Humphrey, the Board unanimously approved the City of Tucson Purchasing Card Services Linking Authorization between Gila County and Bank of America, N.A.

**B. Information/Discussion/Action to approve the use of State of Arizona Procurement Office Contract No. ADSP014-063233 with Inland Kenworth for the purchase of two (2) new T-800 2019 models in the amount of \$306,720.18; and authorize the Chairman's signature on the award contract.**

Shannon Coons, Public Works Division Fiscal Services Manager, advised that she would present this agenda item and the following item for Steve Sanders, Public Works Division Director, as he was unable to attend today's meeting. Ms. Coons stated that the County is currently using two old and worn-out tractor truck trailers; one is a 1982 model and the other is a 1987 model. The County wanted to use the same brand of tractor trailer so that is the reason for using the State contract. Vice-Chairman Humphrey inquired if the older models will be sold at an upcoming auction. Mr. Coons replied that one of the tractor trailers has been used for parts; however, both tractor trailers will be sold "as is" at an auction. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Humphrey, seconded by Supervisor Cline, the Board unanimously approved the use of State of Arizona Procurement Office Contract No. ADSP014-063233 with Inland Kenworth for the purchase of two (2) new T-800 2019 models in the amount of \$306,720.18; and authorized the Chairman's signature on the award contract.

**C. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the advertisement of Invitation for Bid No.120417 for the purchase of two (2) new 3/4 ton, full size, 4x4 pickup trucks with 8-foot-long wide beds for the Consolidated Roads Department.**

Ms. Coons stated that if the Board authorizes the advertisement of Invitation for Bid No. 120417, two new pickup trucks will be purchased to replace two older trucks which have had recent costly repairs. The older trucks will be sold at an auction. Upon motion by Supervisor Cline, seconded by Vice-Chairman Humphrey, the Board unanimously authorized the advertisement of Invitation for Bid No. 120417.

**D. Information/Discussion/Action to appoint members of the Board of Supervisors to the following boards, committees and organizations for calendar year 2018: County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee; Eastern Arizona Counties Organization; Correctional Officers Retirement Plan (CORP) Local Board for Sheriff's Office Detention Officers and Non-Uniformed Officers; Gila County Local Emergency Planning Committee; Central Arizona Governments Regional Council; Gila County Community College Allied Health Care Advisory Committee; Gila County College Industry and Mining Advisory Board; CORP Local Board for Sheriff's Office Dispatchers; Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Local Board; Gila County Board of Health; San Carlos Apache Tribe Partnership Steering Committee; and Coalition of Arizona/New Mexico Counties.**

Chairman Martin addressed this agenda item and she asked Supervisors Cline and Humphrey if they wanted to serve on the same boards, committees, and organizations as they served on during 2017 or if they would prefer to serve on any different boards, committees and organizations. All three Supervisors stated that they would like to remain serving on the same boards, committees, and organizations as last year. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Humphrey, seconded by Supervisor Cline, the Board unanimously voted to serve on the following boards, committees, and organizations for 2018, as follows: 1)

Supervisor Tommie Martin –

County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee  
Eastern Arizona Counties Organization

Supervisor Tim Humphrey –

Correctional Officers Retirement Plan (CORP) Local Board for Sheriff's  
Office Detention Officers and Non-Uniformed Officers  
Gila County Local Emergency Planning Committee  
Central Arizona Governments Regional Council  
Gila County Community College Allied Health Care Advisory Committee  
Gila County College Industry and Mining Advisory Board

Supervisor Woody Cline –

CORP Local Board for Sheriff's Office Dispatchers  
Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Local Board  
Gila County Board of Health  
San Carlos Apache Tribe Partnership Steering Committee  
Coalition of Arizona/New Mexico Counties.

Before asking for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda action items, Chairman Martin asked Supervisor Cline if he wanted to comment on agenda item 4C. Supervisor Cline asked Jefferson R. Dalton, Deputy Gila County Attorney, Civil

Bureau Chief, to express his concerns. Mr. Dalton explained that he attached a memo of his concerns to this agenda item. The memo, in part, states, *“The county attorney’s office believes that the process now being followed for filling vacancies for a precinct committeeman doesn’t follow the law. Here’s why: As it now stands, it is the chairman of each political party who determines if there is a vacancy for a precinct committeeman. Then the chairman submits to the board the name of a replacement to fill the vacancy. Here’s how it should go: The chairman should give the board the facts upon which the board can make a determination of the existence of a vacancy and recommend that the board find that there is a vacancy. The board would then determine if a vacancy exists in the office of precinct committeeman. Then the board would fill the vacancy by selecting a name from a list the party chairman gives to the board.”* Mr. Dalton explained that he has spoken with Eric Mariscal, Elections Director, about this concern. Mr. Mariscal informed Mr. Dalton that it is difficult to attract anyone to serve as a precinct committeeman, so that is the reason he cannot provide a list of names to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Dalton will continue to work with Mr. Mariscal to see if the current selection process could be changed to align with the statute.

Chairman Martin asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda action items.

**Item 4 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS: (Any matter on the Consent Agenda will be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and voted upon as a regular agenda item upon the request of any member of the Board of Supervisors.)**

**A. Authorization of the Chairman's signature on the Quit Claim Deed for the Clerk of the Board's over-the-counter sale of Assessor's tax parcel number 207-15-238 to Panfila and Jose Camarillo-Aguilar.**

**B. Authorization of the Chairman's signature on the Quit Claim Deed for the Clerk of the Board's over-the-counter sale of Assessor's tax parcel number 208-05-434-G-6 to Charles M. and Virginia Powell.**

**C. Approval of the following precinct committeemen appointments, which have been determined to exist upon review of the precinct committeemen allotment table for the Republican party, as submitted by the Gila County Republican Committee Chairman Gary Morris: Thomas Morrissey - Payson #5 precinct; Kristine L. Morrissey - Payson #5 precinct; and Kara K. Holt - Pine-Strawberry West precinct.**

**D. Acknowledgment of the November 2017 monthly activity report submitted by the Payson Regional Constable's Office**

**E. Acknowledgment of the November 2017 monthly activity report submitted by the Globe Regional Constable's Office.**

**F. Approval of the November 28, 2017, and December 5, 2017, Board of Supervisors' meeting minutes.**

**G. Acknowledgment of contracts under \$50,000 which have been approved by the County Manager for the week of October 30, 2017, through November 03, 2017; and November 6, 2017 through November 10, 2017.**

Upon motion by Supervisor Cline, seconded by Vice-Chairman Humphrey, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda action items 4A-4G.

**Item 6 - CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Call to the Public is held for public benefit to allow individuals to address the Board of Supervisors on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Board members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute §38-431.01(H), at the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the Board of Supervisors may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda for further discussion and decision at a future date.**

There were no comments.

**Item 7 - At any time during this meeting pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), members of the Board of Supervisors and the County Manager may present a brief summary of current events. No action may be taken on information presented.**

Each Supervisor and the County Manager present a summary of events.

Chairman Martin advised the Susanna Eden and Ashley Hullinger had still not arrived at the meeting to present agenda item 2A; therefore, she asked Christopher Jones, Extension Agent (Gila County Cooperative Extension) at the University of Arizona, if he would present this agenda item.

**2A. Presentation of information by the University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center regarding a watershed partnership for Cobre Valley and a grant funding opportunity being offered by the Bureau of Reclamation to help form watershed partnerships in the West.**

Mr. Jones advised that Ms. Eden and Ms. Hullinger were having car trouble on their way to this meeting, so he would address this agenda item on their

behalf. Acting as the Gila County Cooperative Extension Agent, Mr. Jones is involved in horticulture and environmental resources programs. For the past year, he has been working with the Arizona Water Resources Research Center to study water issues in the Cobre Valley. This effort began with a small grant awarded by Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold to teach a watershed course. Mr. Jones stated that watershed partnerships are being formed across the state and there is an opportunity to form a watershed partnership in this area. For months, Ms. Eden and Ms. Hullinger have been talking with individuals and organizations in Gila County to determine if there is an interest in forming a watershed partnership in Cobre Valley. The Bureau of Reclamation is offering a grant funded opportunity to provide approximately \$100,000 over two years to help with the startup of a watershed partnership. Mr. Jones explained that a grant application must be submitted to the Bureau of Reclamation (by the end of January 2018) and a letter of support is required to accompany the application for those entities interested in forming a watershed partnership. The purpose of today's presentation is to determine if the Board of Supervisors is interested in the formation of a watershed partnership and, if so, a request would be made for a letter of support. Mr. Jones stated that the Industrial Development Authority of the County of Gila, Arizona, would be one of the partners. Vice-Chairman Humphrey and Supervisor Cline advised that they have met with Ms. Eden and Ms. Hullinger. Chairman Martin thanked Mr. Jones for the information.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Martin adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Tommie C. Martin, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board